DATE: JULY 7, 2016

TO: MINNESOTA FOREST RESOURCES COUNCIL

FROM: CALDER HIBBARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: PREPARATION FOR JULY 20, 2016 MFRC MEETING

In preparation for the July 20, 2016 meeting of the Minnesota Forest Resources Council (MFRC), attached are the following materials (those related to action items are in **bold**):

1. This cover memo.

2. **Draft minutes for the May 18, 2016 MFRC meeting*.**

3. **Draft agenda for the July 20, 2016 MFRC meeting*.**

4. Committee reports.

5. Strategic planning documents will be sent separately, no later than Monday, July 11, 2016.

Meeting Logistics

The MFRC will meet on July 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in the Stine Room at the **Cloquet Forestry Center** located at 175 University Road in Cloquet, Minnesota. Directions to the meeting are provided below.

From I-35, take the Highway 210 exit (adjacent to the Black Bear Casino), and go west 2.7 miles. Turn right on Highway 5 (a sign for the Forestry Center will guide you) and follow it north for 2.7 miles. The entrance to the Cloquet Forestry Center is on your left. For more information about Cloquet Forestry Center, call 218/726-6400, or visit http://cfc.cfans.umn.edu.

Meeting Agenda

Committee of the Whole: Strategic Planning/Direction Session
Building on previous work by the MFRC and the strategic planning committee, we will have our first strategic planning session. This will include: 1) identification of the planning process and overall project design, 2) assessment of findings thus far, 3) identification of key planning issues, and 4) identification of priority issues. More background will be sent on Monday, July 11.

DNR Deer Management Evaluation: Upcoming Process and Plan
Adam Murkowski, Big Game Program Leader, DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife, will be reviewing the Office of the Legislative Auditor's report regarding deer population management within the DNR. Adam will discuss the process and development of a plan going forward. Report is available at: http://www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us/ped/2016/deermanagement.htm.

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*Denotes action item